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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Alfred Kwok-Kit Wong et al.  
Serial No.: 10/060,526  
Title: DELAY REDUCTION OF HARDWARE IMPLEMENTATION OF  
THE MAXIMUM A POSTERIORI (MAP) METHOD  
Filed: January 30, 2002  
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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 28, 2004  
please amend the above-identified application as follows: